

PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2176**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2176

Application No.: 10/665,794

Examiner: J. BLACKWELL

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Docket No.: 115031

For: LINKING INFORMATION MAKING DEVICE, LINKING INFORMATION MAKING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING RECORDED A LINKING INFORMATION MAKING PROGRAM, AND DOCUMENT PROCESSING SYSTEM THEREWITH

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the September 21, 2006 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks. Claims 1-9 and 11-13 are pending in this application.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-9 and 11-13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Salgado (U.S. Patent No. 5,872,569). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Specifically, Applicants assert that Salgado fails to disclose at least a "service list," as recited in independent claims 1-3, 9, and 11.

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